



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: § Atty. Dkt. No.: 041443-00752  
Eva Ackerman and Randy Gene Clark §  
Serial No.: 09/764,572 § Group Art Unit: 2831  
Filed: January 18, 2001 § Examiner: Patel, Dhiru  
For: A Method of Assisting a §  
Compromised Barrier §

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 8, 2003**

In response to the Office Action of November 8, 2003, wherein the Examiner objected to the form of the presentation of the claims submitted by Applicants in their Amendment and Response filed on October 10, 2003, Applicants hereby re-submit the claims in proper Amendment form: